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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR OSHA/US DEPARTMENT OF LABOR PUBLICATION

1. ELOF HANSSON, GOTEBOG, ONE OF THE LARGEST IMPORT HOUSES IN NORTHERN EUROPE IS INTRODUCING IN SWEDEN PROXAGARD SAFETY SYSTEM MANUFACTURED BY GORDON ENGINEERING CORPORATION, BROOKFIELD, CONNECTICUT. EQUIPMENT IS USED TO PROTECT POWER PRESS OPERATORS. INTEREST AROUSED AT RECENT TRADE FAIR IN GOTEBOG INDICATES AN OUTSTANDING MARKET IN SWEDEN. ONLY COMPETITION IS A FRENCH PRODUCT SEVERAL TIMES MORE EXPENSIVE.

2. THE FRENCH EQUIPMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN APPROVED UNDER NEW SWEDISH SAFETY REQUIREMENTS. ELOF HANSSON HOPES TO EXPEDITE APPROVAL OF GORDON'S EQUIPMENT.

3. GORDON INSTALLATIONS IN US HAVE BEEN INSPECTED BY US DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA) AND FOUND TO MEET OSHA REQUIREMENTS OF 1910.217(C)(3)(III). WE BELIEVE SWEDISH AUTHORITIES WOULD BE INFLUENCED FAVORABLY BY SEEING EXACTLY WHAT THE OSHA APPROVAL INVOLVES.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT OSHA CABLE TEXT OF ABOVE REQUIREMENTS TO BE USED AT A MEETING TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED ON JUNE 11 WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ELOR HANSSON AND THE SWEDISH TESTING INSTITUTION. THIS MEETING HAS BEEN SET UP IN HOMES OF HASTENING

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SWEDISH APPROVAL WHICH ORDINARILY TAKES MONTHS TO GET.
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